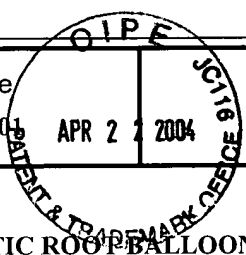

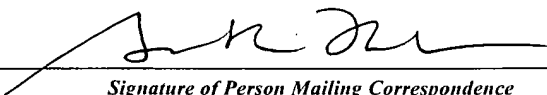


<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>CARDE.58039</b>	
Applicant(s):					
Serial No. <b>09/919,676</b>	Filing Date <b>July 31, 2004</b>		Examiner <b>Loan H. Thanh</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3763</b>	
Invention: <b>AORTIC CATHETER WITH POROUS AORTIC ROOT BALLOON METHODS FOR INDUCING CARDIOPLEGIC ...</b>					
<u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted. <input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
 _____ <i>Signature</i>			Dated: <b>4/19/04</b>		
<b>Gunther O. Hanke, Reg. No. 32,989</b>			<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">RECEIVED</div> <div style="text-align: center;">APR 26 2004</div> <div style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">TECHNOLOGY CENTER</div> <p>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on  <b>April 19, 2004</b> with the U.S. Postal Service as first          class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the          for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">           _____  <i>Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</i> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>Gunther O. Hanke</b>          _____  <i>Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</i> </div>		
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